INSPECTS SCHOOLS; ALARM IS USELESSS SAYS CHIEF BEL

Makes Many Suggestions to Guard the Safety of Pupils.

That in no school building which he has visited are there conditions which would warrant alarm or uneasiness on the part of parents of children, is the statement contained in a report of an inspection of the buildings submitted by Chief Belt of the Fire Department to the Commissioners today. The chief

"All these schools," says the chief, "have wide corridors and hallways, except the Tower School, which has two this afternoon, wooden stairways. Fire drills were It can be sa given in several of the schools and these Mr. Edwards he drills were highly the schools and these mr. Edwards he given in several of the schools and these drills were highly satisfactory. The hongest time consumed in emptying any school building was one minute and fifty seconds, the shortest time one minute and ten seconds.

Reserved.

The most dangerous points in any ment and stairways and especially in this is this the case in school buildings, Smoke, gases, and flames would as cend very rapidly from the basemen up the stairways and for this reason nothing of an inflammable nature should be kept in the basement, "All brick buildings should have from

tairways and if any wooden stairways now exist they should be replaced with

"All hallways and corridors leading from the stairways to exits should be made fire resisting, and all ceilings in the basements and the underneath portion of wooden stairways should be similarly protected.

Electric Alarms Needed.

"In some of the schools janiters are not familiar with the use of fire extinguishers, and they were found to be in bad condition as regards cleanli-

Trash in Hall.

In the hall of the third story of the Franklin School building the chief found a quantity of old wood, paper, boxes, and shayings, and an old model of the building. He recommends that this be cleaned out.

"The rafters and sides in this hall are exposed," he says, "and the space between them and room No. 15 is used for the storage of old papers and books

for the storage of old papers and books on shelving. The papers, books, and shelving should be removed from this portion of the building and the opening ento the rafters closed. I consider this one of the most dangerous points in the building, and it should receive immediate attention."

The chief recommends that fire extinguishers be placed about the building; that the janitor's storeroom, a frame building, be removed; that the waste paper he removed at least once a week; that all worthless chairs, tables and like property be removed as promptly as possible, and that ashes and rubbish not be allowed to accumulate in the building.

He recommends that the three fire-escapes be removed as they are not adopted for the use of children. They are vertical ladders, he says, and the platforms are too narrow. Until new fire-escapes are erected, the windows, he says, should be cut down to the level of the floor or wooden steps provided for access to the fire-escapes, and flowers and plants removed from the windows.

Standard Fire-Escapes.

escapes replace those now in use.

Commissioner Macfarland will recommend to the Commissioners to send these reports to the Board of Education with the suggestion that they prepare estimates for such improvements as may be necessary.

In view of the statements recently made about the danger in certain church buildings in case or fire or panic, Commissioner Macfarland today asked Chief Engineer Belt to examine the church buildings as soon as practicable without interfering with his investigation of the public school situation, and report what ought to be done to improve their safety.

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Will Become President When Affairs Have Been Adjusted.

Another Assistant Secretary of the Freasury of the United States today steps from the Treasury Department into a place high in the finances of the country. J. H. Edwards, Assistant Secretary under Secretaries Shaw and Cortelyou, leaves the Treasury today, to become the receiver of the New Amsterdam National Bank, of New York by Chief Belt of the Fire Department to the Commissioners today. The chief make many suggestions, but says there is no need for undue alarm.

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It can be said authoritatively that

The Secretary regrets Mr. Edwards eaving the Treasury Department. He is glad, however, that Mr. Edwards is to take charge of the affairs of the New York bank, as the department is much interested in promptly straightening out the affairs of the institutions crippled

in the recent panic.

in the recent panic.

It is understood that a successful readjustment of the bank's affairs can be made, and that, with this done, the presidency will be tendered to Mr. Edwards. Pending this, however, there are several good places being held open for the retiring official.

The New Amsterdam National Bank is the last of the big New York banks that became involved last fall, and whose affairs have since been handled with a view to resumption. It is now said that the outlook is very hopeful, and that the bank will reopen at an early date.



JOHN H. EDWARDS, Who Leaves the Treasury Today.

wards agreed not to accept for the pres

It was only at the request of the Secretary of the Treasury, whose deep interest in bringing order out of the re-



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Justice Barnard Finds Is-

Sues on Which to Proceed.

Justice Barnard, of the District Supreme Court, today approved four issues on which to proceed with the trial of the contested will of Mrs. Ellen M. Colion, and set the date of trial for March 31. He declined to pass on the proposed general issue of the intestacy of Mrs. Colton, on the ground that as it was already before the Court of Appeals, it would be unseemly for him to take any action.

A new will, antedating the one now the first in San Francisco, it is claimed, and will be produced at the coming trial.

Attorneys Douglas and Syne, who represent Mrs. Dahlgren, the chief beneficiary under the will, declare that this will, made when Mrs. Colton was in good health, is almost identical in its terms with the will assailed in behalf of Helen Sacher, and that it will go a long way toward proving that the will around which the fight centers is valid.

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